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Sir:

The benefit of the filing dates of the following prior foreign application in the following foreign country is hereby requested for the above-identified patent application and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. §119 is hereby claimed:

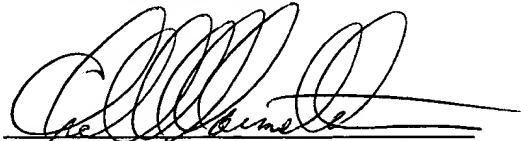
Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-379392 filed on December 13, 2000

In support of this claim, certified copy of said original foreign application is filed herewith.

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §119 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of these/this document.

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